in 1946-47 has not been approved so far and residents of the area under Bapa Nagar Residents' Welfare Association had been on agitation and had been on Dharna from the 12th June to the 27th June, 1989 and hunger strike from 28th June, 1989 onwards;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps being taken to regularise the colony;

(d) whether it is a fact that Than Singh Nagar situated nearly 100 yards away from Bapa Nagar has been approved; and

(e) if so, why delay in case of Bapa Nagar; what are the reasons for not approving the above colony so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (e) Bapa Nagar is one of the unauthorised colonies which had come up before February, 1977 and which were considered for regularisation. But this colony was not regularised as it did not fall within the criteria prescribed for the regularisation of the unauthorised colonies. Than Singh Nagar was regularised as it fell within the criteria. Delhi Administration and Municipal Corporation of Delhi have reported that they are not aware of any dharna or hunger strike by the residents of Bapa Nagar.

Supply of rice to tribals at subsidised rates

1254. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Prime Minister has revealed that the Andhra Pradesh Government are cheating the tribals by profitting on rice supplied by the Centre at a lower price; if so, what action is proposed to be taken against the Andhra Pradesh Government; and

(b) at what rates Andhra, Orissa, Maharashtra, Gujarat, Rajasthan; Bihar and Madhya Pradesh are supplying rice to tribals; whether the said States are making any profit; if so, what action is proposed to be taken against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) The Prime Minister had made a general observation to the effect that the Government of Andhra Pradesh had been charging prices for rice supplied for Integrated Tribal Development Project (ITDP) areas. The observation related to the period prior to August, 1986.

(b) The ITDP end retail prices of rice fixed at present by the Governments of Andhra Pradesh, Orissa, Maharashtra, Gujarat and Rajasthan are as follows:—

(Rs. per quintal)

State	Common Rice	Fine Rice	Superfine Rice
Andhra Pradesh . .	200	200	200
Orissa . . .	200	265	280
Maharahstra . . .	219	279	300
Gujarat	220	280	300
Rajasthan . . .	219	279	300

Information in respect of Bihar and Madhya Pradesh is being collected. No specific instance of profit making by the State Governments in the supply of specially subsidised rice in ITDP areas has come to the notice of the Government. However, from December, 1985 to August, 1988 Andhra Pradesh supplying common rice under this scheme at Rs. 2.00 per kg. against end retail price of Rs. 1.85 per kg. fixed by the Government.

Price index for Industrial workers

1255. SHRI P. N. SUKUL: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the base for the price index for Industrial workers is proposed to be shifted from 1962-63 to 1980-81; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons for this change and by when the new price index number will be worked out?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI RADHAKRISHAN MALVIYA): (a) The base year for the consumer price index for industrial workers has been shifted from 1960 to 1982.

(b) The series of Consumer Price Index with 1960 as the base year was based on the results of the Family Living Survey conducted during 1958-59. With the passage of time, the consumption expenditure pattern of 1960 had become out of of date. It was, therefore, considered desirable to change the base year in order that it may adequately reflect the actual consumption expenditure pattern as revealed by Family Income and Expenditure Survey Conducted during 1981-82. The new series with 1982 as the base year has already been introduced with effect from October, 1988.

Criteria for allocations of funds under Jawahar Rozgar Yojana

1256. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state the details of the amounts allocated and distributed under the Jawahar Rozgar Yojana in Andhra Pradesh during 1989-90?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): Rs. 19319.51 lakhs (including State's share) has been allocated to the Zila Parishads in Andhra Pradesh for the year 1989-90 under Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY). Against this, Rs. 7125.12 lakhs has been released so far.

Allotment of essential commodities to Maharashtra

1257. SHRIMATI SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of allotments in recent months to Maharashtra of rice and wheat for distribution through the Public Distribution System;

(b) whether Government of Maharashtra have requested to increase the monthly allotments in view of the increasing requirements of that State of these commodities;

(c) whether Government propose to consider the request and increase suitably the allotments of wheat and rice to that State; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) The required information is in the enclosed statement. (See below)

(b) Yes, Sir.